

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A photography device comprising:
  - a lens;
  - a casing body including an aperture for protrusion and storage of the lens;
  - a lens barrier which is moveable between an open position for opening the aperture and a closed position for closing the aperture;
  - a lens barrier-urging member which continuously urges the lens barrier toward the closed position; and
  - a stopper member which can lock the lens barrier when the lens barrier is at the open position, and which, at a time of lens storage, can move in accordance with the storage and release the locking for allowing movement of the lens barrier toward the closed position due to the urging of the lens barrier-urging member.
2. The photography device of claim 1, further comprising a manual grip switch for turning power on and off.
3. The photography device of claim 2, wherein the grip switch is moveable at least between a power-on position and a power-off position.
4. The photography device of claim 3, wherein the lens barrier moves to the open position in accordance with movement of the grip switch toward the power-on position.
5. The photography device of claim 3, wherein the stopper member allows the movement of the lens barrier toward the closed position in accordance with movement of the grip switch toward the power-off position and storage of the lens.

6. The photography device of claim 1, further comprising a movement member, wherein the lens barrier-urging member urges the lens barrier via the movement member, and the stopper member locks and releases the locking via the movement member.
7. The photography device of claim 5, wherein the movement member comprises a rotating arm which rotates in two opposing directions.
8. The photography device of claim 1, wherein the stopper member is moveable at least between a locking position for locking the lens barrier and a lock-release position for releasing the locking.
9. The photography device of claim 8, wherein the lens comprises a lens barrel including a boss which pushes the stopper member to the lock-release position at the time of lens storage.
10. The photography device of claim 1, further comprising a retaining member which, at a time of replacement of the lens, retains the stopper member at a withdrawn position which does not interfere with a lens movement region.